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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Hudepohl, Lawrence In re application of: Examiner: William Treat Jones, Darren Thekkath, Radhika Treue, Franz MIPS.0107-00US Art Unit: 2183 Docket: Serial No.: 09/751748 12/29/2000 Filing Date: HIGHLY CONFIGURABLE CO-PROCESSOR INTERFACE Title:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

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Introductory Comments

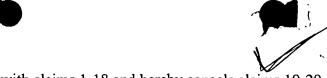
In response to the Official Action dated 3/24/04 with a shortened statutory period of response set to expire 4/24/04, Applicant responds as follows:

Remarks

In the Office Action, the Examiner issued a three-way restriction under 35 USC §121. He found:

- I. Claims 1-18, drawn to architecture based instruction processing, classified in clas
 712, subclass 200.
- II. Claims 19-26 and 30-31, drawn to processing control for data transfer, classified in class 712, subclass 225.
- III. Claims 27-29, drawn to conditional branching, classified in class 712, subclass 234.

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Applicant elects to proceed with claims 1-18 and hereby cancels claims 19-29. Applicant hereby requests further examination and reconsideration of the application, in view of the foregoing amendments.

Applicant earnestly requests the Examiner to telephone him at the direct dial number printed below if the Examiner has any questions or suggestions concerning the application or allowance of any claims thereof.

Respectfully submitted

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